

working people and union members in every state and congressional district. IFPTE applauds Senators Klobuchar, Wicker, Coons, and Portman and Representative Kaptur and Fitzpatrick for proposing legislation that aligns federally funded research, development, and technological innovation with the goal of rebuilding the nation's industrial base and supports high-quality high-wage domestic manufacturing jobs. Paul Shearon, President of the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers

Manufacturing has been the foundation of the U.S. economy from the beginning. Bipartisan support of this effort highlights the importance of working together to ensure future economic opportunity for all Americans.—Prof. Mark Johnson, Director of Clemson Center for Advanced Manufacturing, former Director of the Advanced Manufacturing Office at the U.S. Department of Energy

The federal government needs an industrial policy for manufacturing in America that encourages innovation and investment, in both technologies and people. The Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Act will make sure that the White House has a coordinated strategy to promote domestic manufacturing growth. National Tooling and Machining Association

I can think of few more important initiatives for our long-term competitiveness than the Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Act. In the years to come, this legislation will ensure robust coordination across every facet of public and private enterprise, and advance both our national and economic security. Public policy in these key areas are often undertaken on an ad hoc, disaggregated basis. The provisions of this bill will set the foundation for America to 'Build Back Better' with a robust strategy grounded in real science, productivity, and smart job growth.—Neal Orringer, Former Director of Manufacturing for the U.S. Department of Defense and Former Manufacturing Senior Advisor to U.S. Commerce Secretary and Co-Chair of White House Office of Manufacturing Policy

The Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Act gives manufacturers a long overdue seat at the policy-making table at a time when the sector is taking a leading role responding to the pandemic and driving the economy. Precision Metalforming Association

Rapid and effective implementation of President Biden's BuildBackBetter agenda is critical to restore the nation's global competitiveness in manufacturing and rebuild our domestic supply chains. The Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Office, modeled on the Office of Science and Technology Policy, will develop a national manufacturing strategy, strengthen partnerships between the federal and state governments, and coordinate the siloed 58 federal manufacturing programs. Working closely with the private sector and educational institutions, the Office will ensure that all workers, communities, and companies will participate in economic growth." Phillip Singerman, former NIST Associate Director for Innovation and Industry Services (2011–2020)

The White House should take a whole of government approach to manufacturing and the Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Act will put the sector at the center of policymaking within the Executive Office of the President. American Mold Builders Association

Based on my experience as the Assistant Director for Advanced Manufacturing at OSTP (2009–12), creating the OMII is a critical step to regain America's leadership in advanced manufacturing, rebuild the na-

tional manufacturing innovation ecosystem, and rekindle American ingenuity. OMII is designed to provide a much needed national strategy and requisite policy implementation to ensure that what is invented here is manufactured here to deliver a return on investment of taxpayer dollars in science and technology.—Sridhar Kota, Executive Director, MFOresight: Alliance for Manufacturing Foresight; Herrick Professor of Engineering, University of Michigan.

"The fastener industry makes the nuts, bolts and screws that hold the world together. We are pleased to support this legislation to elevate manufacturing within the Executive Office of the President, and to better coordinate the various manufacturing initiatives across the federal government as the U.S. focuses on a needed national manufacturing strategy."—Dan Walker, Managing Director, Industrial Fasteners Institute

I thank my colleagues, Representatives HALEY STEVENS, TIM RYAN, BRIAN FITZPATRICK, and CHUCK FLEISCHMANN for introducing this bipartisan bill with me in the House, and Senators AMY KLOBUCHAR, ROGER WICKER, CHRIS COONS, and ROB PORTMAN for their leadership on this bill in the Senate. Additionally, I would like to acknowledge Jenny Perrino, my Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative Director, for her hard work to craft this legislation and bring it to the line. Together, I am confident we can champion this bill through Congress and to the President's desk without delay. America's manufacturing workers deserve nothing less.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PAY EQUITY FOR ALL ACT OF 2021

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the Pay Equity for All Act of 2021, which would help eliminate the gender and racial pay gap by prohibiting employers from asking job applicants for their salary history before making a job or salary offer. Even though many employers may not intentionally discriminate against applicants or employees based on gender, race or ethnicity, setting wages based on salary history can reinforce the wage gap. Members of historically disadvantaged groups often start their careers with unfair and artificially low wages compared to their white male counterparts, and the disparities are compounded from job to job throughout their careers. Last Congress, the House passed the Pay Equity for All Act as part of the Paycheck Fairness Act (H.R. 7).

The Pay Equity for All Act would help ensure that applicants' salaries are based on their skills and merit, not on salary history, by assessing penalties against employers that ask applicants for their salary history during the interview process or as a condition of employment. It would also provide job applicants and employees with a private right of action against employers that violate these provisions.

There is much work to be done to address the wage gap. This bill would be an important step toward addressing these disparities.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

JUANITA LEWIS ARREOLA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Juanita Lewis Arreola for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Juanita Lewis Arreola is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Juanita Lewis Arreola is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Juanita Lewis Arreola for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

HONORING JEANIE HAHN

HON. GREG PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jeanie Hahn of Jennings County, Indiana.

Jeanie served as the Republican County Chairwoman of Jennings County. She committed her time, talents and energy to the Sixth Congressional District and the rest of the Hoosier state. I am grateful for her service.

Jeanie is actively engaged in civic and community endeavors, often the first to volunteer her time and always willing to help at a moment's notice. She is a passionate social worker and has dedicated her life to helping victims of domestic violence.

Finally, Jeanie has become a dear friend over the last four years, and I am grateful for her friendship.

I thank Jeanie Hahn.

RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING STAFF

HON. SEAN CASTEN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. CASTEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and express my gratitude to Anne Wick and Gail Kalinich.

Anne and Gail were instrumental in convincing me to first run for office, helping to build a campaign team, and then served as my co-district directors for the last 2 and one-half years. For that, I owe them my eternal personal gratitude.

But I am ultimately a side story. Anne and Gail share my belief that the office is bigger and more important than the officeholder, and never shied away from reminding me of my